

Sammamish City Council Meeting

January 9, 2007



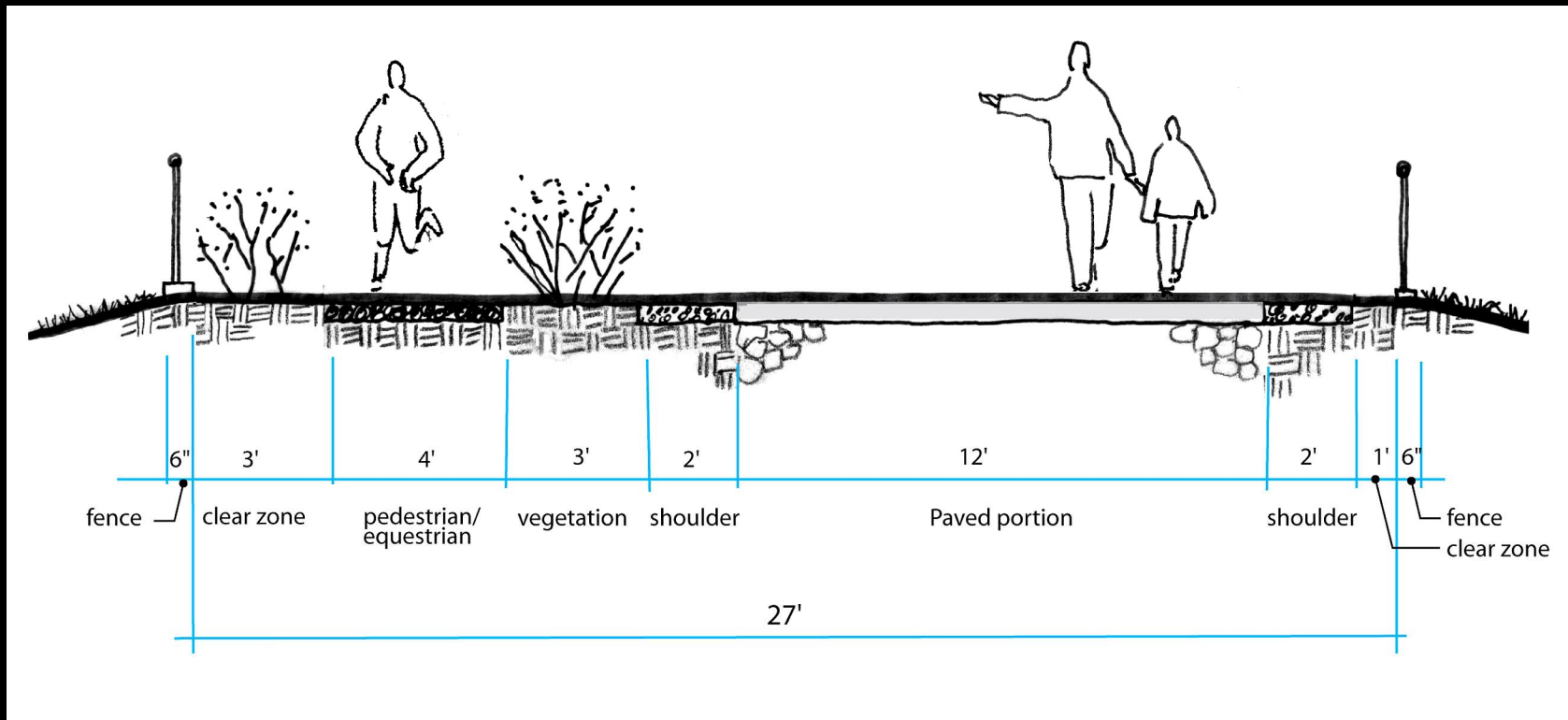
Master Plan Trail Alternatives

- Corridor Alternative
- East A Alternative
- East B Alternative
- No Action Alternative
- Continuation of the Interim Use Trail Alternative

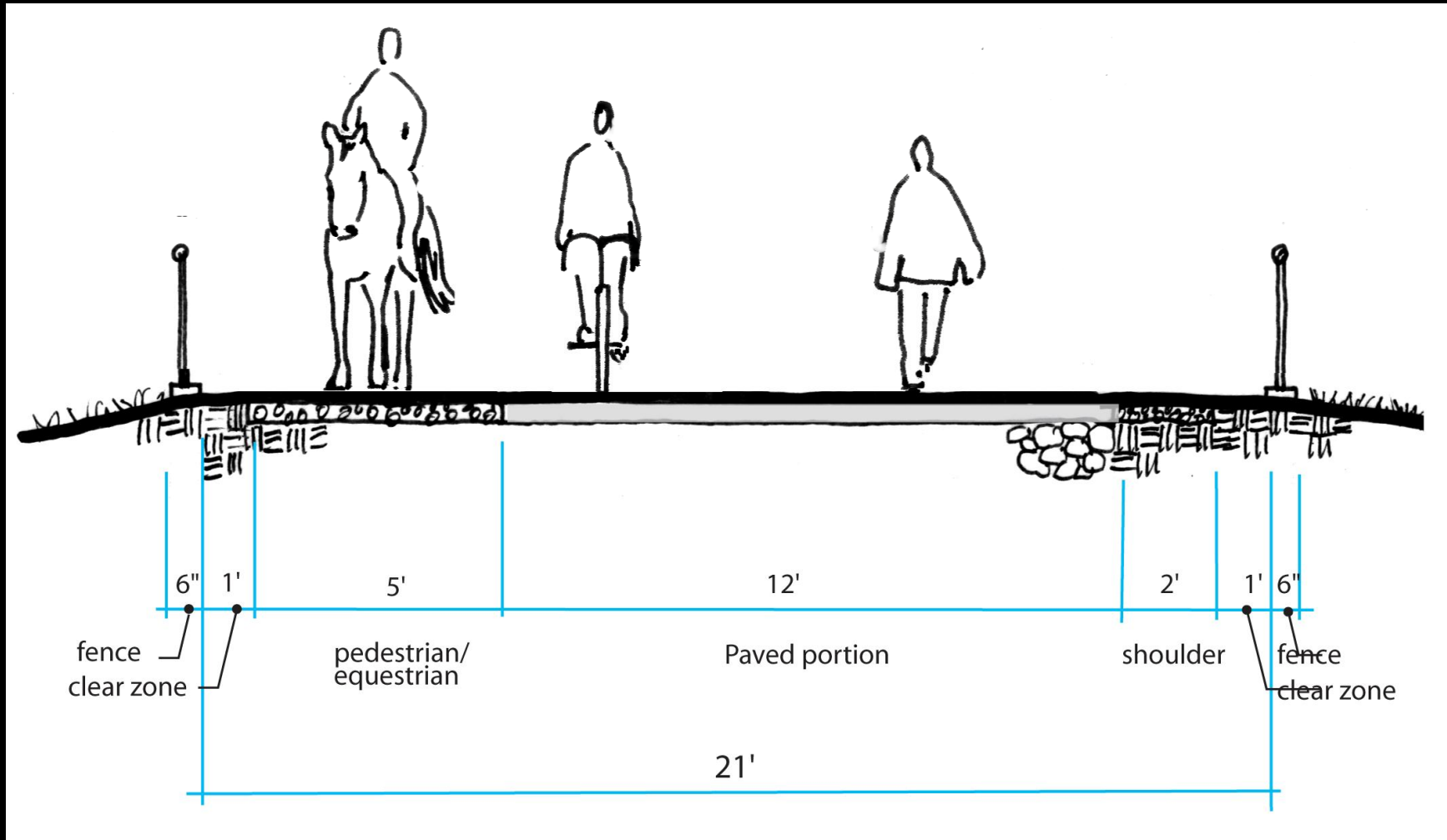
Corridor Alternative

- Located within the railbanked corridor.
- Paved.
- Width varies from 27 feet to 18 feet, depending on the natural and built environment constraints around the trail.

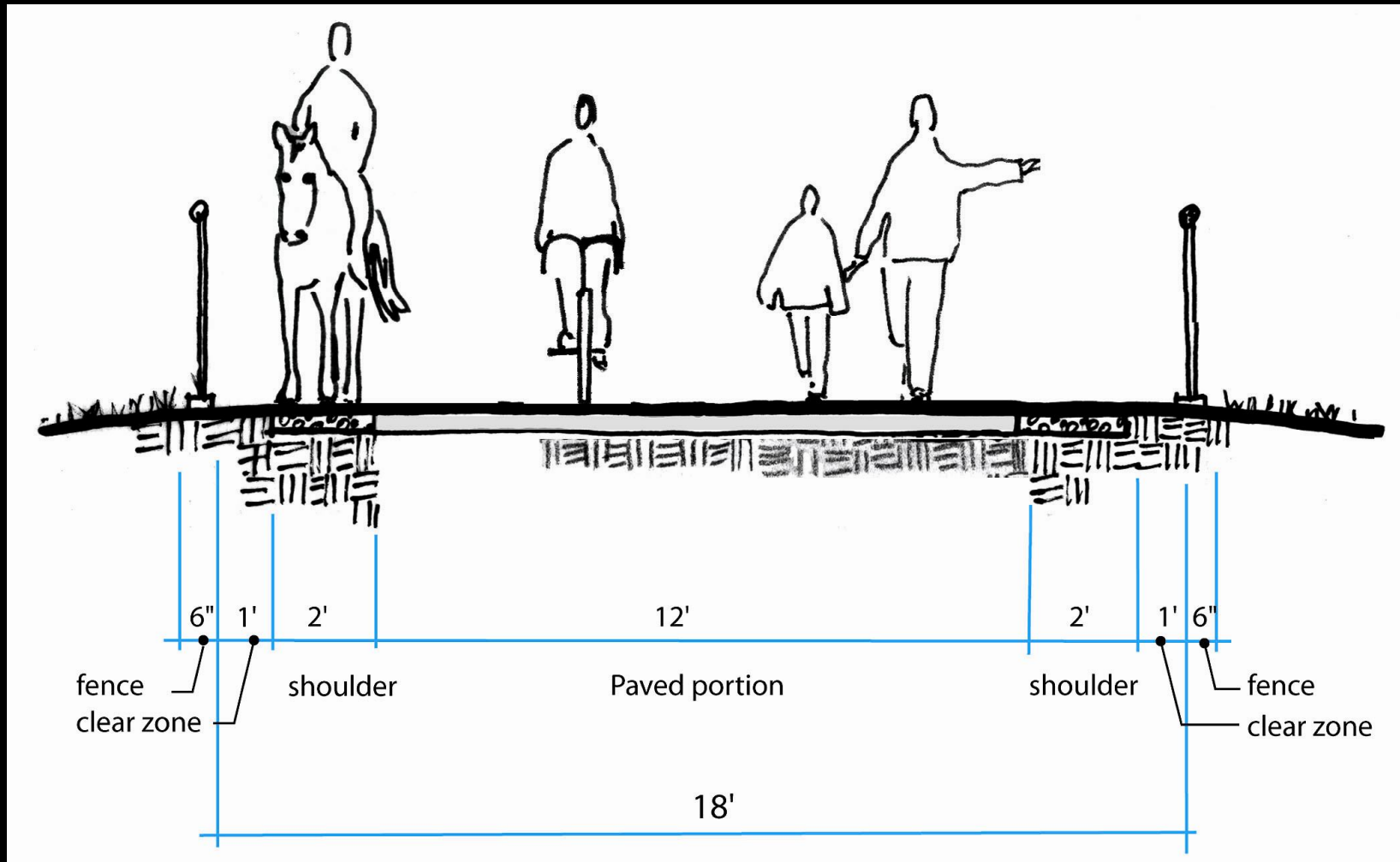
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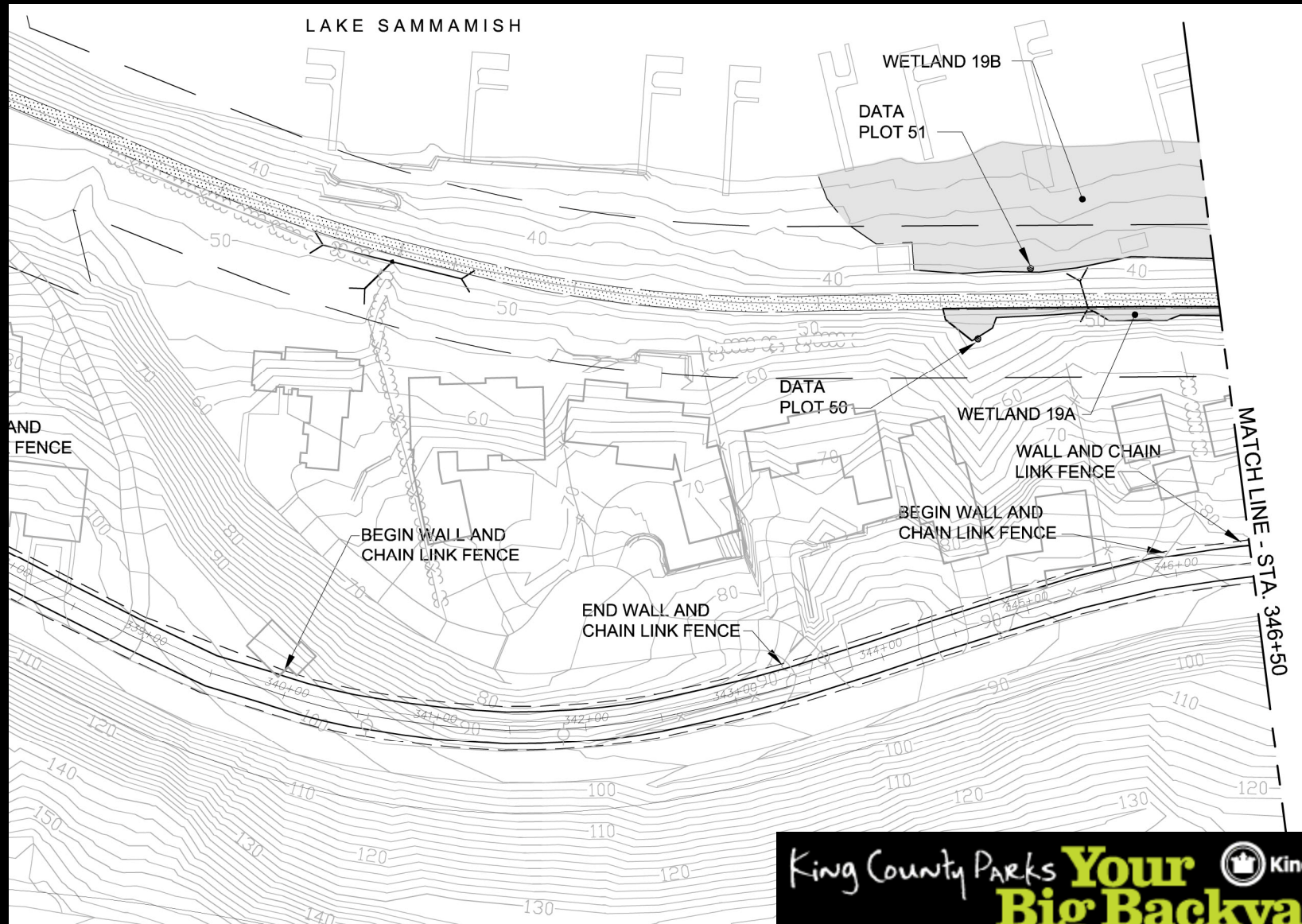
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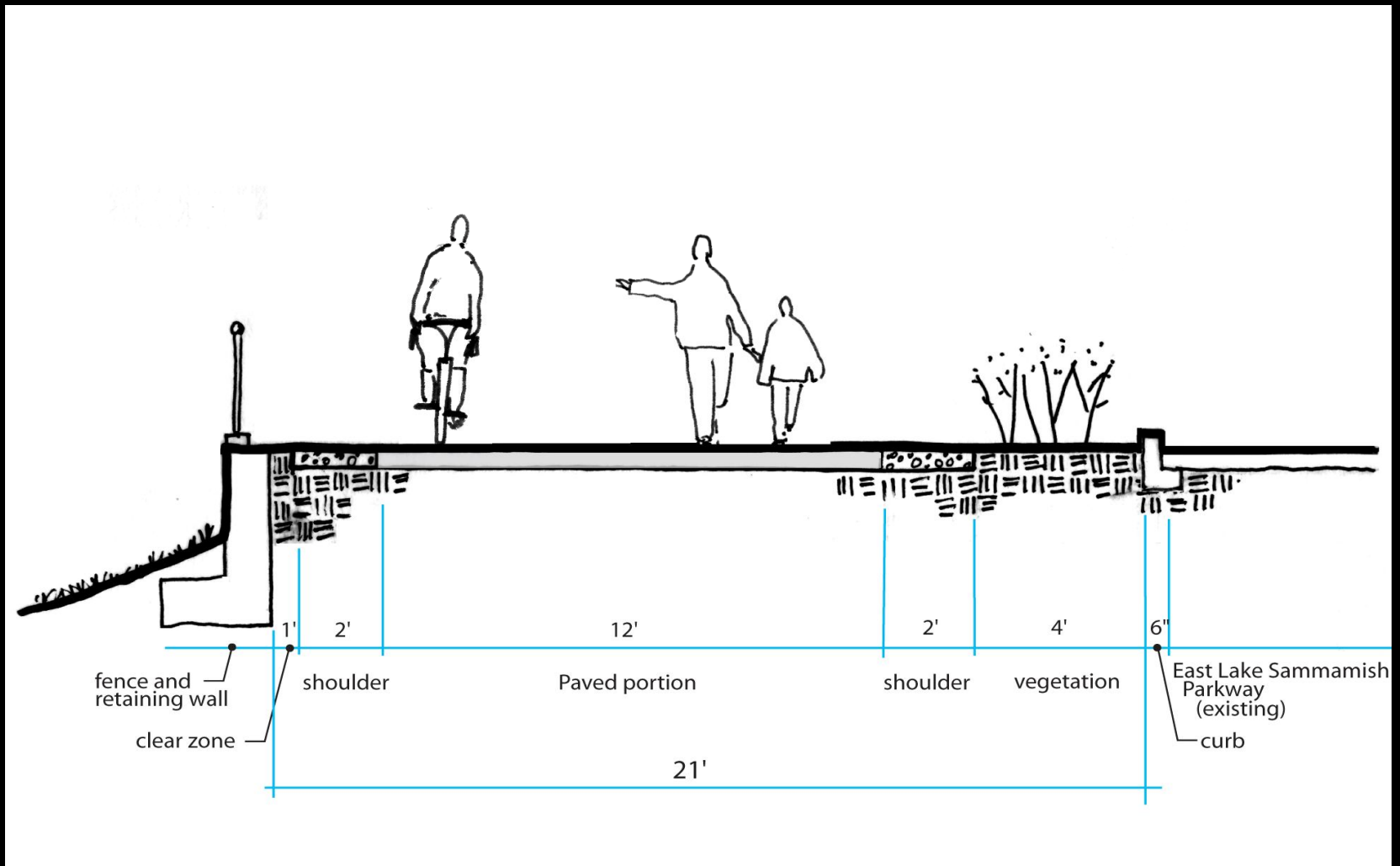
East Alternatives

- Generally follows an alignment proposed by several citizens, in which the trail moves between the railbanked corridor and the adjacent roadway shoulder.
- Always has 12 feet of pavement and two 2-foot shoulders.
- Uses the Corridor Alternative typical section when located in the railbanked corridor.
- Is located with respect to the roadway as directed by the City of Sammamish.
- Does not rely on relocation of or other changes to the operation of local roads.

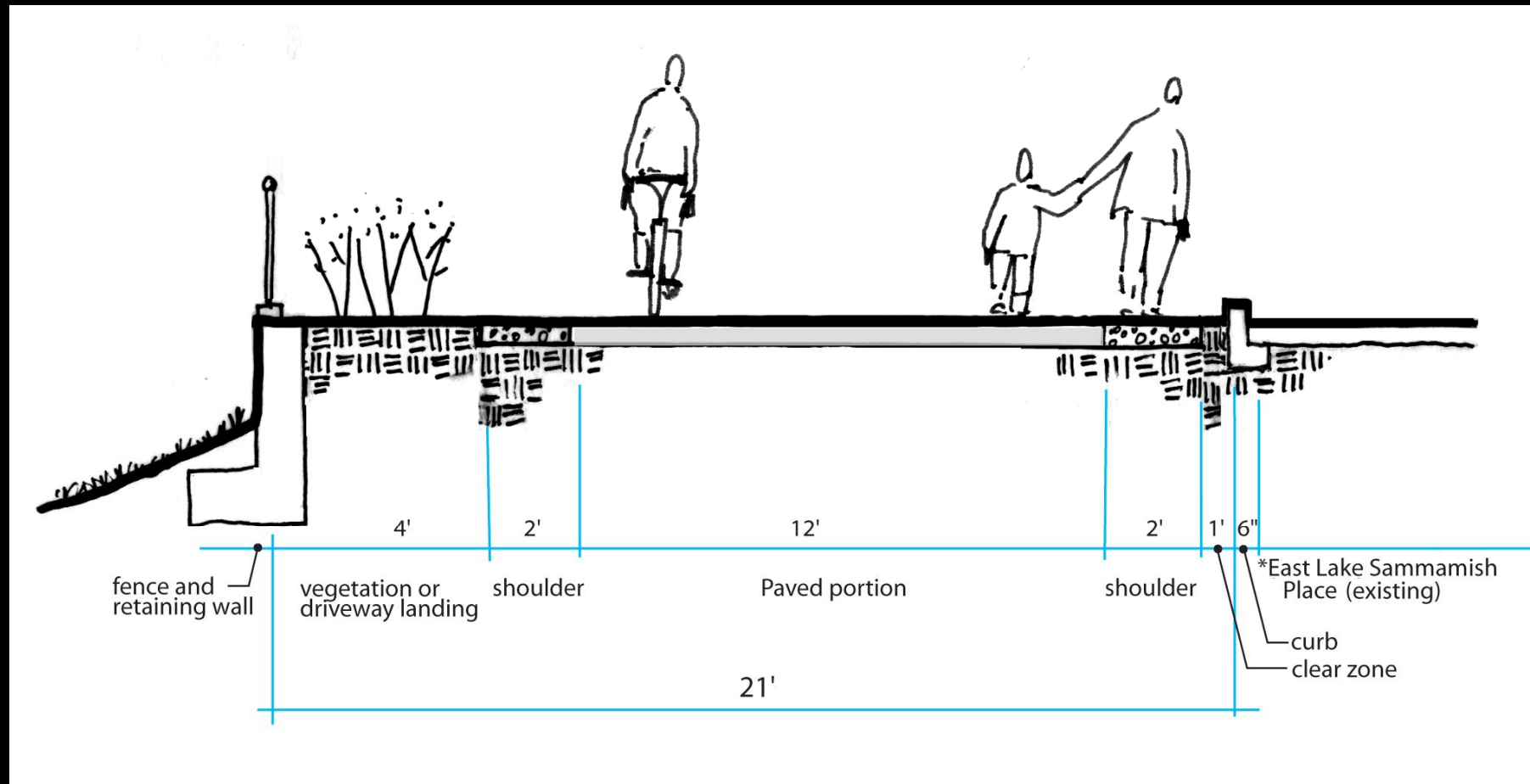
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No Action Alternative

- Consideration of a “No Action Alternative” is required by regulation.
- King County would continue operating the Interim Use Trail through 2015, at which time the permitted operation of the trail would expire.
- Continued use of the Interim Use Trail would require additional environmental review prior to 2015.

Continuation of the Interim Use Trail Alternative

- The existing Interim Use Trail would be continued beyond 2015.
- It would be extended north to the Bear Creek vicinity near Redmond Towne Center.
- Equestrian use may be allowed.

Common Features

- New restroom and parking facilities at SE 33rd Street and Inglewood Hill Road.
- New parking facilities between NE 65th Street and NE 70th Street.
- Traffic control and trail etiquette signs.
- Fencing and bollards.
- Vegetation management.

Preliminary Preferred Alternative

- The County has named the Corridor Alternative the preliminary preferred alternative because it would develop a paved trail within the railbanked corridor. However, no decisions have been made.

Comment Summary

- 178 individuals or agencies submitted comments
 - 167 of 178 (94%) supported the trail.
 - 11 of 178 (6%) were opposed to the trail.
- Most comments are focused on how to develop and operate a trail within the railbanked corridor that is safer and more enjoyable for everyone.

Next Steps

- Complete Endangered Species Act consultation – early Summer 2007.
- Issue Final Environmental Impact Statement – late Summer 2007.
- Complete NEPA and SEPA decisions - Fall 2007.
- Begin phased design - late 2007 to early 2008.